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Removing unnecessary smart tag indicators (Excel 2002)

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stocks. By default, smart tags are turned off. When the feature is activated, a small triangle appears in the lower-right corner of cells containing recognized data to let you know that an option menu is available. Unfortunately, Excel may sometimes inappropriately interpret and apply smart tags.

For example, say that you have a worksheet that contains stock symbols, and you want to take advantage of smart tags. However, the same worksheet contains a cell with an internally used project code entered in a cell: IMA. Since IMA is also a recognized stock symbol, a smart tag indicator appears.

To get rid of an unwanted smart tag indicator, hover your mouse pointer over the cell containing it. Then, click on the smart tag options button that appears and select Remove This Smart Tag from the resulting menu.

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